IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 34999

STATE OF IDAHO,) 2008 Unpublished Opinion No. 661
Plaintiff-Respondent,) Filed: September 29, 2008
v.) Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
CHRISTOPHER IMOTO, Defendant-Appellant.) THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED
) OPINION AND SHALL NOT) BE CITED AS AUTHORITY
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Appeal from the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Elmore County. Hon. Michael E. Wetherell, District Judge.

Judgment of conviction and unified sentence of twenty-five years, with ten years determinate, for lewd conduct with a minor under the age of sixteen, <u>affirmed</u>.

Robert S. Lewis, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Lawrence G. Wasden, Attorney General; Rebekah A. Cudé, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

PER CURIAM

Christopher Imoto was charged with two counts of lewd conduct with a minor under the age of sixteen, for the sexual abuse of his ten-year-old step-daughter. Pursuant to a plea agreement, Imoto pled guilty to one count of lewd conduct with a minor under sixteen, I.C. § 18-1508, and was sentenced to a unified term of twenty-five years with ten years determinate. Imoto appeals, contending that the district court abused its discretion by imposing an excessive sentence.

Where a sentence is within the statutory limits, it will not be disturbed on appeal absent an abuse of the sentencing court's discretion. *State v. Hedger*, 115 Idaho 598, 604, 768 P.2d 1331, 1337 (1989). We will not conclude on review that the sentencing court abused its discretion unless the sentence is unreasonable under the facts of the case. *State v. Brown*, 121 Idaho 385, 393, 825 P.2d 482, 490 (1992). In evaluating the reasonableness of a sentence, we consider the nature of the offense and the character of the offender, applying our well-established

standards of review. *See State v. Hernandez*, 121 Idaho 114, 117-18, 822 P.2d 1011, 1014-15 (Ct. App. 1991); *State v. Lopez*, 106 Idaho 447, 449-51, 680 P.2d 869, 871-73 (Ct. App. 1984); *State v. Toohill*, 103 Idaho 565, 568, 650 P.2d 707, 710 (Ct. App. 1982). When reviewing the length of a sentence, we consider the defendant's entire sentence. *State v. Oliver*, 144 Idaho 722, 170 P.3d 387 (2007).

Applying the foregoing standards and having reviewed the record, we conclude that the district court did not abuse its discretion by imposing the sentence. Accordingly, Imoto's judgment of conviction and sentence are affirmed.